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In re Application of : OFFICE OF PETITIONS  
Stephen Patrick Finch :  
Application No. 10/757,246 : DECISION ACCORDING STATUS  
Filed: January 14, 2004 : UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.47(b)  
Attorney Docket Number: 3018W :  
Title of Invention: Method for Extracting Gluten :

This is in response to the renewed petition for status under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(b), filed August 30, 2004.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

Applicant has satisfied the requirements of §1.47(b)<sup>1</sup>. Applicant, by declaration of persons with first hand knowledge and documentary evidence, demonstrated that the non-signing inventor has refused to sign the declaration. This declaration has been reviewed and is found in compliance with 1.63 and 1.64. Applicant paid the petition fee and included a statement of the non-signing inventor's last known address in the petition. The assignment document establishes the applicant's proprietary interest in the application.

This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(b) status.

As provided in new Rule 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventor at the address given in the petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

The application file is being forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for

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<sup>1</sup> A grantable petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(b) requires: (1) proof that the non-signing inventor cannot be reached or refuses to sign the oath or declaration; (2) an acceptable oath or declaration; (3) the petition fee; (4) a statement of last known address of the non-signing inventor; (5) proof of proprietary interest; and (6) proof of irreparable damage.

processing.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3215.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Charlema R. Grant".

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